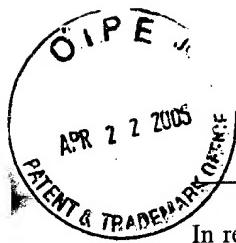


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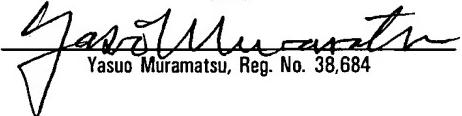
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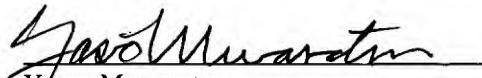
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Time Extension Fee:

- one month (\$120 large entity)
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Enclosed are:

- Amendment to claims in seven (7) pages.
 Request for approval of drawing changes with one (1) mark-up sheets and one (1) replacement sheets.
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